II. RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

At this point in time, Applicants elect the Group 1 invention, without traverse, for initial consideration in this case. Claims 6-21 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer in view of this election.

Applicants understand that claim 1 has been determined to be a linking claim with regard to the Group 1-1171 inventions and that the various restriction requirements amongst the Group 1-1171 inventions are subject to the non-allowance of linking claim 1.

Applicants believe that this paper is full response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 30, 2003. Should the Examiner have any questions, comments, or suggestions relating to this case, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned Applicants' representative at (512) 536-3035.

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